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SUBJECT: ICANN: DUTCH DESIRE GREATER INTERNATIONAL CONTROL  
ON INTERNET DNS

REF: A. STATE 108105

[1](#)B. STATE 89981

[1](#)1. Econoff delivered ref A and B points July 3 to Wim Rullens, Director for International Affairs, Directorate-General for Energy and Telecom, Ministry of Economic Affairs. Rullens said that the Dutch Embassy in Washington would send a representative to the July 26 public meeting but that the Dutch would not provide formal input at that meeting nor by email to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. Any statement would be provided through the EU presidency, he added.

[1](#)2. Rullens said he was "confident" that the U.S. would make a decision in line with the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) principles when the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the Department of Commerce (DOC) and ICANN expires in September. In particular, control of the Internet DNS should move to a "model of enhanced cooperation that is multi-stakeholder, transparent, and democratic," Rullens said. He added that the Dutch agree with increased private sector management, but that the MOU should "evolve from the responsibility of one government to the responsibility of all governments on an equal footing." Rullens noted that the current arrangement under DOC was working well with "no hiccups" and that the notice to provide input was "a sign of good cooperation in line with the November 2005 Tunis Agenda."

[1](#)3. Rullens also shared some sensitive issues, including ".nl" or "top-level" names. These are national issues and countries seek control over their own code, Rullens said. Rullens stressed that this sovereignty should be respected in any future management model. Another issue is that internet management is far more than DNS management, and includes cybercrime and spam, he said. Rullens added that these are "real threats to the Internet" and are international threats

requiring international cooperation.  
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